

VEDDERPRICE

2004 SEP 10 PM 6:32

VEDDER, PRICE, KAUFMAN & KAMMHOLZ, P.C.
222 NORTH LASALLE STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60601
312-609-7500
FACSIMILE: 312-609-5005

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
SEP 10 2004

Facsimile

OFFICES IN CHICAGO, NEW YORK CITY AND ROSELAND, NEW JERSEY

If you have any problems with this transmittal,
please call 312 609-5001.
Our Fax Number is 312-609-5005.

Confidentiality Note

This message is intended only for the use of the individual or entity to which it is addressed and may contain information that is privileged, confidential and exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, or the employee or agent responsible for delivery of the message to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us immediately by telephone at 312-609-5001, and return this original message to us at the above address via the U.S. Postal Service. Thank you.

Fax Operator:

Please deliver the following page(s) to:

Page 1

Name: Examiner Michael R. Vaughn
Firm: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
From: Themis Anagnos
Date: September 10, 2004
Client No.: 00100.00.0370

Fax No.: (703) 872-9306
Confirmation No.: (703) 305-0354
Sender's Ext.: 7970
Total Pages: 41
Time Received by Fax Dept.:

Special instructions to receiving operator:

PLEASE DELIVER IMMEDIATELY TO EXAMINER MICHAEL R. VAUGHN

Message:

U.S. Patent Application

Serial No. 09/586,907 - Filed: 06/05/2000

Applicant: Rajesh G. Shakkarwar

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROTECTION OF COMPUTER ASSETS FROM
UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS

Art Unit: 2131

Confirmation No.: 9317

2004 SEP 10 PM 6:41

CHICAGO/1216181.2 7/13/04
00100.00.0370

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Rajesh G. Shakkarwar Examiner: Michael R. Vaughn
Serial No.: 09/586,907 Art Unit: 2131
Filing Date: June 5, 2000 Our file No. 00100.00.0370
Confirmation No.: 9317 Docket No. 00100.000037

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
SEP 10 2004

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROTECTION OF COMPUTER
ASSETS FROM UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Certificate of Facsimile
I hereby certify that this paper is being sent via
Facsimile to Examiner Michael R. Vaughn, at
703-872-9306 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark
Office
9/10/04
Date
Themi Anagnos

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated May 13, 2004, and the Advisory Action dated August 13, 2004, Applicant submits the following response. Applicant respectfully traverses and requests reconsideration.

Amendments to the Claims can be found on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this document.